

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday October 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Cook.

Roll call found the following trustees present: Al Kamenski, Tim Stopplesworth, Dan Redman, Jody Marcoe, Jim Eckberg, and Chris Cook. Julie Franke attended via telephone. Also in attendance: Linda Alsum-O'Donovan and Miriam Thomas.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Tim Stopplesworth, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the September 9, 2020 regular board meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comments: None

Sam Kaufman: Mr. Kaufman was unable to attend the meeting.

Public Safety: Chief Schuster was unable to attend the meeting.

Public Works:

Sewer system: The drying beds will be getting cleaned out before the end of the year.

Sewer rate increase discussion: Rate increases were presented for three percent, five percent and ten percent increase options.

Motion: Julie Franke, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to increase sewer rates by five percent (5%) as of January 1, 2021. Motion carried 6-1.

Water system: Nothing to report. There will be a discussion regarding a water upgrade at the next Public Works meeting (date to be determined).

Streets: The East Church Street project should be going out to bid in November.

PTS pay request #4: The landscapers have fixed the remaining issues on North Main Street. The only remaining issue will be worked out privately between PTS and the property owner.

Motion: Tim Stopplesworth, seconded by Al Kamenski, to approve pay request #4 for PTS Contractors as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Human Resources: The committee has been working on updating the employee handbook and hopes to have it ready to present by the end of the year.

Motion: Jody Marcoe, seconded by Chris Cook, to go into closed session until 19.85 (1)(c) for consideration of employment and compensation for employees at 7:33pm. Motion carried 7-0.

Regular session resumed at 8:13pm.

Beautification: The final design for the village welcome boards is ready and will be ordered. Businesses and organizations who currently have signs on the welcome board will be contacted to provide a replacement sign when the new boards are ready.

New Business:

Building permit discussion/clarification: A property owner has applied for a building permit that the building inspector would like clarification on. The ordinance states an accessory structure up to 1,000 square feet is allowed. The property owner would like to add 932 square feet onto the existing 732 square feet detached garage. The board reviewed the ordinance requirements and agreed that it sounds like the homeowner would need to make a variance request for the permit for going beyond the 1,000 square foot limit. The clerk will check with the building inspector to find out where exactly the clarification is needed as the ordinance is stated clearly regarding the 1,000 square foot limit.

Budget sheets: Board members were asked to be completed before the budget hearing which was scheduled for November 11, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Motion: Jim Eckberg, seconded by Al Kamenski, to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer